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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No. : 10/075,373
Applicants : SOBOLESKI, D.A., *et al.*
Filed : February 15, 2002
Art Unit : 3732
Title : Method and Device for Treating Scoliosis
Confirmation No. : 4280
Examiner : RAMANA, A.
Agent Ref. No. : 1999-012-02US

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir,

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed on January 4, 2005, setting a three-month period for reply. A Petition for Extension of Time of two months, and Fee Transmittal, are being filed simultaneously herewith. Applicants wish to amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.